

**NONPROVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION**

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**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

**NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL  
RULE §1.53(b)**

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is the nonprovisional patent application

For (Title): METHODS AND APPARATUSES FOR SUBSTRATE TRANSPORTING, POSITIONING, HOLDING, AND EXPOSURE PROCESSING, DEVICE MANUFACTURING METHOD AND DEVICE.

By (Inventors): Keiichi TANAKA

- ☒ Formal drawings (Figs. 1-18; 15 sheets) are attached.
- ☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney is filed herewith.
- ☒ An assignment of the invention to Nikon Corporation is filed herewith.
- ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement is filed herewith.
- ☐ Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.
- ☐ A Preliminary Amendment is filed herewith.
- ☐ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence --This nonprovisional application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_.--
- ☒ Priority of foreign applications No. 11-375850 filed December 28, 1999 in Japan; No. 11-377305 filed December 28, 1999 in Japan; No. 2000-351133 filed November 17, 2000 in Japan is claimed (35 U.S.C. §119).
- ☐ A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application(s) is filed herewith.
- ☒ The filing fee is calculated below:

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INDEP CLAIMS	4 - 3	= 1*
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	\$ 355
x 9 =	\$
x 40 =	\$
+ 135 =	\$
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>

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x 18	\$ 198
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+ 270	\$
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- ☒ Check No. 114998 in the amount of \$988.00 to cover the filing fee is attached. Except as otherwise noted herein, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be required to complete this filing, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this sheet are attached.

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